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REQUEST FOR REFUND OF ERRONEOUS USPTO OVERCHARGE FOR INDEPENDENT CLAIMS IN EXCESS OF THREE

MS REFUNDS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

A recent review of our Accounting Department records indicated that our Deposit Account No. 22-0185 was erroneously charged in the amount of \$400.00 on January 21, 2005 for Independent Claims in excess of three for the above-identified patent application. Applicant respectfully submits the following remarks as to why the excess charge was in error.

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated October 5, 2004, an Amendment accompanied by one (1) Replacement Drawing Sheet was filed in the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office on January 5, 2005 for the above-identified patent application. The Listing of Claims, as amended on January 5, 2005, contained thirty-three (33) total claims, and six (6) independent claims.

Claims 1, 4, 12, 15, 25, and 28 are independent, and no multiple dependent claims were presented.

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An annotated copy of the amended claims as filed on January 5, 2005 in this application is provided as an attachment to this transmittal. The independent claim numbers are circled as an aid to the reviewer.

We wish to also refer you to the accompanying Amendment Transmittal Letter filed on January 5, 2005 (copy enclosed herewith), which correctly indicates that only three (3) excess claims were present in the application, as inscribed in the Amendment filed on January 5, 2005 and correctly authorizes payment for excess claims in the amount of \$300.00.

Applicant respectfully requests that a refund in the amount of \$100.00 be credited to Deposit Account No. 22-0185 for the erroneous excess charge made by the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this request. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 22171-00016-US1 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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